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Invention: APPARATUS AND METHOD, INFORMATION PROVIDING SYSTEM, AND  
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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL ACTION

Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on October 24, 2002, applicant submits the following remarks.

REMARKS

Reconsideration and allowance of this application are respectfully requested. Claims 13-47 remain in this application and are resubmitted for the Examiner's consideration.

In the Office Action, claims 13-47 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over LaJoie (U.S. Patent No. 5,850,218) in view of Hendricks (U.S. Patent No. 6,160,989). It is submitted, however, that the claims are patentably distinguishable over the references.